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Title

Tissue products having increased absorbency

**Preliminary Class** 

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**DECISION ON PETITION** 

Serial No.: 09/713,826 Filed: November 16, 2000

For: TISSUE PRODUCTS HAVING INCREASE ABSORBENCY

This is a decision on the documents received on August 26, 2002, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed October 13, 2000. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned December 14, 2000. The notice of abandonment was mailed on August 7, 2002. MAR 1 8 2003

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On August 26, 2002, the office received a communication from the attorney of OFFICE OF PETITIONS record. Enclosed was an acknowledgment that the attorney responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts on November 16, 2000.

The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts on November 16, 2000. The documents received November 16, 2000, were used to establish application number 09/713,826 in error. The documents and fees received August 26, 2002 will be used to complete the above application.

The petition is hereby GRANTED.

The office regrets any inconvenience this may have caused the client.

The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 1731.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Doshie E. Day at (703) 308-3640.

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